

... Fire Chief

(Continued from Page A-1) the examination for fire chief. George Vico was absent from the meeting.

IN OTHER action last night, the council:

- Ordered the Planning Commission to undertake a study of parking facilities on Hawthorne Boulevard south of 242nd Street. A request from Chapel Theatre, Inc., for a variance from parking requirements was returned to the commission pending the study.
- Granted a conditional use permit for the operation of a bar at 3144 Pacific Coast Hwy. The permit had been denied by a 4-3 vote of the Planning Commission.
- Awarded a contract for the demolition of the city's water tower on Elm Street north of Torrance Boulevard to Tetra Construction Co. Cost of the demolition will be \$8,500.
- Voted to award a \$25 savings bond as the sweepstakes prize in the annual Torrance Beautiful essay contest. The awards will be made April 20.

Lutherans Plan Library Session

The Lutheran Church Library Association's Los Angeles Area chapter will conduct its first workshop Saturday at the First Lutheran Church, 3119 W. 6th St., Los Angeles.

The all-day sessions will begin at 9:30 a.m., Mrs. W. G. Bachmann, secretary of the group, said. Reservations may be secured from Mrs. Bachmann at 17043 Cerise Ave.

Revival Series To Begin Here

Evangelist Bob Robin of Texas will conduct a series of revival meetings at the Harbor City Foursquare Church, 255th Street and McCoy Avenue, beginning tonight.

The services, to be held at 7 p.m. each evening, will continue through Feb. 26, the Rev. Marion Piles, pastor of the church, said.

Obituaries

Richard Peralta

Requiem mass for Richard P. Peralta, 24, of 1664 W. 204th St., will be celebrated tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. at the Church of the Nativity. Rosary will be said tonight at 7 o'clock at the Stone and Myers Mortuary Chapel.

Mr. Peralta, who was born Jan. 19, 1943, in New Mexico, died last Saturday. Employed by a tile manufacturing firm in Torrance, he had lived here for about 18 months.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Peralta of New Mexico; two brothers, Joe and Jackie Lee, both of Lomita, and three sisters, Dora Gallagos and Mona Oulettule of Torrance and Gloria Perez of New Mexico.

Burial will be in All Souls Cemetery in Long Beach.

New Church Opens Doors On Peninsula

Opening services of the "New Thought" community church were held Sunday at 11 a.m. at 1121 Via Nogales, Palos Verdes Estates.

Led by Dr. Doyle A. Bryant, the new church is meeting in the Montemalaga Elementary School for its initial meeting, Dr. Bryant said. He spoke Sunday on the topic, "On Having Personal Freedom."

The church will minister to all ages through Sunday school, study classes, pastoral counseling, youth activities, and will include a nursery for small children.

Dr. Bryant said he came to the area under the auspices of the Divine Science International Federation and on the invitation of people in various "New Thought" groups such as Divine Science, Religious Science, Unity, and related groups. Dr. Bryant has been an ordained minister since 1934 and has been active in Colorado, Texas, and California.

Forum Called To Discuss Inspections

Controversy over alleged forced inspection of private Torrance homes will be aired in Redondo Beach Friday, Feb. 24 in a forum sponsored by the South Bay Chapter, American Civil Liberties Union.

Spokesmen from the city, the ACLU, and the homeowners will present their views starting 8 p.m. at American Savings & Loan, 1939 Kingdale Ave., Redondo Beach.

Speaking will be Jerry Scharfman, assistant Torrance city manager; David Solomon, member of the ACLU social welfare committee; and a representative of the homeowners, who charge inspection required for federal urban renewal fund grants violates their civil and property rights, and their right to privacy.

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Ancient 'Colleges' Had Rugged, Riotous Side

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The roots of modern colleges and universities reach to the Middle Ages, but the history of Western higher education can be traced back in time to Plato's Academy established in Athens in 387 B.C. From this date, during the heat of the Hellenic Empire and into the Roman, a momentous era of institutional higher education flourished over the length and breadth of the civilized world.

Christians and pagans studied together in these ancient institutions, and the professors who taught them received salaries from municipal authorities and some from both that source and the imperial government. Many, however, supported themselves as private teachers by collecting from students whatever they felt inclined to pay.

If they were well-known teachers and established in a certain area, they often charged fixed fees. It should be noted that these were primitive methods but that they were also sometimes highly profitable. At the same time, it made the professor dependent upon student good will as well as upon the numbers they could attract to their classes.

the most successful of these early teachers had to organize their students into loyal bands of disciples or be victimized both by the students themselves or by their fellow professors.

When, for example, the renowned Libanius arrived as a freshman in Athens with plans to study under a fellow countryman, the students of another professor held him captive "in a cell," he later wrote, "not much larger than a wine jar" until he swore allegiance to the teacher.

One cunning professor — a real operator — made a deal with a ship's captain to dock in the middle of the night and to deliver a whole shipload of Asiatic students to him. Accepting the situation as he found it, Libanius throughout his long teaching career in four leading institutions regarded it as the duty of his students and scholars to make life as unpleasant as possible for his colleagues. He and his associates never spoke approvingly of the ideas and work of "competitors" but, instead, habitually denounced them in their lectures.

vading their lecture rooms and starting fights, by throwing mud in their faces on the streets, by dragging them out of bed at night for a dozing in a fountain or pond, and by other such persecutions.

Because of this kind of behavior Augustine left Carthage and set himself up as a private teacher in Rome, but he found conditions no better there. Students behaved just as riotously in and out of class and, to boot, cheated him out of his fees.

'The Few' Win Best Band Prize

"The Few," a young rock 'n' roll band, has been declared the winner of the annual "Battle of the Bands" at North High School.

Members of the band include Steve Morrison, vocal, Mark Aurit, Russ Wolf, and John Hodges, guitars, and Les Hurst, drums.

Other groups competing for the cash award included "The Great Society," "The Artisans," Heidi and the Carefrees, and "The Legends."

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New Record Set For Employment

Total employment in Los Angeles County dropped to 2,960,300 in January from a holiday peak of 3,019,200 in December, Peter Weinberger, director of employment, said today.

Despite the sharp cutback at the first of the year, the January figure is a new record high, Weinberger said. The total number of employed persons was some 123,400 above a year ago.

Teen Trio Jailed on Drug Charge

Three teenagers stopped Friday night by Torrance police have been charged with possession of marijuana.

The youths were stopped in the 300 block of Palos Verdes Boulevard after an officer spotted their car traveling "at a high rate of speed," about 10:30 p.m.

Police said they found 21 tape cartridges and two cigarettes believed to be marijuana after a search of the car.

Taken into custody were two 17-year-old boys and a 16-year-old boy. Two are from Cudahy and the third gave a Huntington Park address.

'Mind' Topic of Sunday Sermon

"Mind" is the title of this Sunday's Lesson-Sermon to be read in all Christian Science churches. The Golden Text is from Proverbs: "The Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding."

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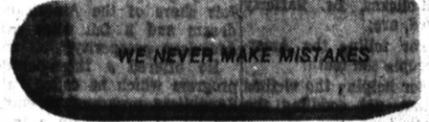
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